

<b>AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111</b>  Address to: Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450	Attorney Docket	GUID-005CON6
	Confirmation No.	5455
	First Named Inventor	Taylor
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	Group Art Unit	3732
	Examiner Name	Singh, Sunil K.
	Title	Surgical Instruments and Procedures for Stabilizing the Beating Heart During Coronary Artery Bypass Graft Surgery

Sir:

This amendment is responsive to the Office Action dated May 4, 2009 for which a three-month period for response was given making this response due on or before August 4, 2009. A Petition for a two-month extension of time is being filed concurrently with this amendment to extend the response period to October 5, 2009 (October 4, 2009 being a Sunday). In view of the amendments to the claims and the remarks put forth below, reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.